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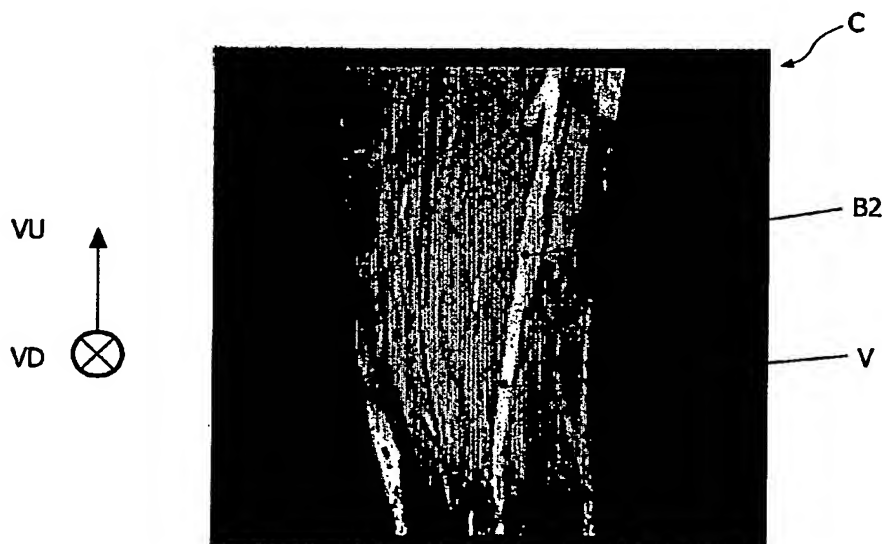
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(54) Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VISUALISATION OF A TUBULAR STRUCTURE**



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method and a corresponding apparatus for visualization of a tubular structure of an object by use of a 3D image data set of said object. In order to provide a more efficient and illustrative visualization a method is proposed comprising the steps of: - generating and visualising a curved planar reformation view (C) from a symbolic pathway view (B) of said tubular structure, said symbolic pathway view (B) representing said tubular structure and the pathway points of said symbolic pathway being assigned with their 3D spatial position data, and - generating and visualising at least one planar view (O) of said object (1) through a viewing point (V) of said tubular structure selected in said curved planar reformation view (C) or said symbolic pathway view (B).

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